



RECRUITMENT FOR DMH CLIENT AND FAMILY MEMBER POOL

The Department of Mental Health (DMH) is currently recruiting for consumers and family members to participate in the Expert Pool. Originally, our Expert Pool consisted of consumers and family members who assisted with the Specialty Mental Health Services reviews. Now, we want to expand that pool so consumers and family members can assist the Department in many areas such as the Mental Health Services Act, Children and Adult Systems of Care, and Program and Policy.

The experiences and knowledge of consumers and family members of adults and children are beneficial in supporting the department in a number of our activities and will lend a voice from a consumer and family members' perspective. These assignments are limited contract positions and the State will provide for travel and hotel accommodations when needed as well as reimbursement for meals in accordance with State guidelines. Participants will also receive \$10.00 per hour as payment for the work performed during the process as well as during travel time, within reason, as determined by the DMH travel coordinator.

To maximize the benefits of consumer and family member participation, trainings will be offered periodically, which will assist the consumers and family members in understanding both DMH as a whole, and the specific tasks and policies for which your help may be requested. **You must send back an application to participate in the training.**

If you have any questions please call:

Tina Wooton 1-916-653-5826 or Cathy Bishop at 1-916-657-5102

You can also access the application online at www.dmh.ca.gov

If you wish to be considered for the first round of Community Services and Supports Plan Reviews, please submit your application no later than November 1, 2005.

Sincerely,

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